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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 6439

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 6439 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Structural Pest Control Act is amended by
5 adding Section 10.15 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 235/10.15 new)

7 Sec. 10.15. Findings and Council report. The General
8 Assembly makes the following findings:

9 (1) The quality of life for a growing number of
10 Illinois families has been impacted by a significant
11 increase in bed bug (Cimex lectularius) infestations.

12 (2) A joint EPA/CDC statement recognizes bed bugs as a
13 pest of public health importance.

14 (3) Bed bug infestations are increasing, are difficult
15 to abate, and pose a challenge to those affected by those
16 infestations.

1 (4) There is a lack of public awareness about bed bug
2 prevention, management, and control, necessitating the
3 need for education of consumers, tenants, landlords,
4 property owners, and managers.

5 (5) In April of 2009, the United States Environmental
6 Protection Agency held its first National Bed Bug Summit to
7 solicit recommendations on dealing with the growing public
8 nuisance of bed bugs; among the major recommendations
9 emanating from the summit was the importance of legislative
10 support and better education about bed bugs for governments
11 and elected officials.

12 (6) It is in the public interest to study the increase
13 in bed bug infestations and make specific recommendations
14 for addressing this growing public nuisance.

15 The Structural Pest Control Advisory Council shall convene
16 a subcommittee to develop a report to the General Assembly with
17 recommendations on the prevention, management, and control of
18 bed bug infestations. The report shall include, but not be
19 limited to, recommendations related to the availability of
20 education materials on bed bug prevention, management, and
21 control; proper transport, storage, and disposal of bed bug
22 infested materials; promote the development of effective
23 treatment methods or options to eradicate bed bug infestation;
24 and increasing knowledge and awareness among tenants,
25 landlords, and property managers and owners about preventing
26 bed bug infestations.

1 In addition to the members of the Structural Pest Control
2 Advisory Council, the subcommittee may include: a
3 representative of a nonprofit organization, particularly one
4 involved with tenant advocacy issues; a representative of
5 apartment associations; and staff from the Illinois Housing
6 Development Authority and the Office of the Illinois Attorney
7 General. The members of the subcommittee shall serve without
8 compensation for their duties or expenses incurred with the
9 work of the subcommittee.

10 The Structural Pest Control Advisory Council shall issue
11 its report to the General Assembly on or before December 31,
12 2011.

13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
14 becoming law.".